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REMARKS

Applicant amended independent claims 1, 9 to recite the thickness of the third conductor 30 to be in a range of approximately two to less than five microns. See page 5, lines 7-9 of the application as filed.

35 USC 102/103

Although Applicant respectfully traverses the Examiner's rejections of old claims 1-15, Applicant amends independent claims 1,9, and dependent claim 7, to facilitate allowance.

None of the art cited (e.g., Zhao, Wen, Johnson, or Ito), whether or not applied, either singly or in combination, teaches, discloses or suggests Applicant's device wherein the "third conductor has a thickness in a range of approximately two to less than five microns."

This limited range of thickness is all that is required to reduce the capacitive coupling present in many prior art approaches.

Wen et al., e.g. (Col. 3, lines 5-14, 53-64) teaches a greater thickness (5-10 microns) which can result in a higher cost to produce a device. Applicant believes none of the remaining art cited teaches, discloses or suggests Applicant's range as claimed (amended claims 1, 9).

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Entry, reconsideration and allowance of claims 1-15 are solicited.

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